

# HOUSE BILL No. 1061

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 36-2.

**Synopsis:** County identification security protection fee. Provides that beginning July 1, 2011, the \$2 county identification security protection fee shall be deposited in the following manner: (1) \$1 in the county recorder's records perpetuation fund. (2) \$0.50 in the county identification security protection fund. (3) \$0.50 in the county elected officials training fund. Requires each county to establish a county elected officials training fund. Provides that money in the fund must be used solely to provide training of county elected officials.

**Effective:** July 1, 2010.

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## HOUSE BILL No. 1061

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 36-2-7-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.3-2008,  
2 SECTION 256, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2010]: Sec. 10. (a) The county recorder shall  
4 tax and collect the fees prescribed by this section for recording, filing,  
5 copying, and other services the recorder renders, and shall pay them  
6 into the county treasury at the end of each calendar month. The fees  
7 prescribed and collected under this section supersede all other  
8 recording fees required by law to be charged for services rendered by  
9 the county recorder.  
10 (b) The county recorder shall charge the following:  
11 (1) Six dollars (\$6) for the first page and two dollars (\$2) for each  
12 additional page of any document the recorder records if the pages  
13 are not larger than eight and one-half (8 1/2) inches by fourteen  
14 (14) inches.  
15 (2) Fifteen dollars (\$15) for the first page and five dollars (\$5) for  
16 each additional page of any document the recorder records, if the  
17 pages are larger than eight and one-half (8 1/2) inches by fourteen



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(14) inches.

(3) For attesting to the release, partial release, or assignment of any mortgage, judgment, lien, or oil and gas lease contained on a multiple transaction document, the fee for each transaction after the first is the amount provided in subdivision (1) plus the amount provided in subdivision (4) and one dollar (\$1) for marginal mortgage assignments or marginal mortgage releases.

(4) One dollar (\$1) for each cross-reference of a recorded document.

(5) One dollar (\$1) per page not larger than eight and one-half (8 1/2) inches by fourteen (14) inches for furnishing copies of records and two dollars (\$2) per page that is larger than eight and one-half (8 1/2) inches by fourteen (14) inches.

(6) Five dollars (\$5) for acknowledging or certifying to a document.

(7) Five dollars (\$5) for each deed the recorder records, in addition to other fees for deeds, for the county surveyor's corner perpetuation fund for use as provided in IC 21-47-3-3 or IC 36-2-12-11(e).

(8) A fee in an amount authorized under IC 5-14-3-8 for transmitting a copy of a document by facsimile machine.

(9) A fee in an amount authorized by an ordinance adopted by the county legislative body for duplicating a computer tape, a computer disk, an optical disk, microfilm, or similar media. This fee may not cover making a handwritten copy or a photocopy or using xerography or a duplicating machine.

(10) A supplemental fee of three dollars (\$3) for recording a document that is paid at the time of recording. The fee under this subdivision is in addition to other fees provided by law for recording a document.

(11) Three dollars (\$3) for each mortgage on real estate recorded, in addition to other fees required by this section, distributed as follows:

(A) Fifty cents (\$0.50) is to be deposited in the recorder's record perpetuation fund.

(B) Two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) is to be distributed to the auditor of state on or before June 20 and December 20 of each year as provided in IC 24-9-9-3.

(12) This subdivision applies in a county only if at least one (1) unit in the county has established an affordable housing fund under IC 5-20-5-15.5 and the county fiscal body adopts an ordinance authorizing the fee described in this subdivision. An

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ordinance adopted under this subdivision may authorize the county recorder to charge a fee of:

(A) two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) for the first page; and

(B) one dollar (\$1) for each additional page;

of each document the recorder records.

(13) This subdivision applies in a county containing a consolidated city that has established a housing trust fund under IC 36-7-15.1-35.5(e). The county fiscal body may adopt an ordinance authorizing the fee described in this subdivision. An ordinance adopted under this subdivision may authorize the county recorder to charge a fee of:

(A) two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) for the first page; and

(B) one dollar (\$1) for each additional page;

of each document the recorder records.

(c) The county recorder shall charge a two dollar (\$2) county identification security protection fee for recording or filing a document. This fee shall be deposited under IC 36-2-7.5-6.

(d) The county treasurer shall establish a recorder's records perpetuation fund. All revenue received under section 10.1 of this chapter, ~~and~~ subsection (b)(5), (b)(8), (b)(9), and (b)(10), **and IC 36-2-7.5-6(c)(1) (after June 30, 2011)**, and fifty cents (\$0.50) from revenue received under subsection (b)(11), shall be deposited in this fund. The county recorder may use any money in this fund without appropriation for the preservation of records and the improvement of record keeping systems and equipment. Money from the fund may not be deposited or transferred into the county general fund and does not revert to the county general fund at the end of a fiscal year.

(e) As used in this section, "record" or "recording" includes the functions of recording, filing, and filing for record.

(f) The county recorder shall post the fees set forth in subsection (b) in a prominent place within the county recorder's office where the fee schedule will be readily accessible to the public.

(g) The county recorder may not tax or collect any fee for:

(1) recording an official bond of a public officer, a deputy, an appointee, or an employee; or

(2) performing any service under any of the following:

(A) IC 6-1.1-22-2(c).

(B) IC 8-23-7.

(C) IC 8-23-23.

(D) IC 10-17-2-3.

(E) IC 10-17-3-2.

(F) IC 12-14-13.

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1 (G) IC 12-14-16.

2 (h) The state and its agencies and instrumentalities are required to  
3 pay the recording fees and charges that this section prescribes.

4 (i) This subsection applies to a county other than a county  
5 containing a consolidated city. The county treasurer shall distribute  
6 money collected by the county recorder under subsection (b)(12) as  
7 follows:

8 (1) Sixty percent (60%) of the money collected by the county  
9 recorder under subsection (b)(12) shall be distributed to the units  
10 in the county that have established an affordable housing fund  
11 under IC 5-20-5-15.5 for deposit in the fund. The amount to be  
12 distributed to a unit is the amount available for distribution  
13 multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the  
14 population of the unit. The denominator of the fraction is the  
15 population of all units in the county that have established an  
16 affordable housing fund. The population to be used for a county  
17 that establishes an affordable housing fund is the population of  
18 the county outside any city or town that has established an  
19 affordable housing fund.

20 (2) Forty percent (40%) of the money collected by the county  
21 recorder under subsection (b)(12) shall be distributed to the  
22 treasurer of state for deposit in the affordable housing and  
23 community development fund established under IC 5-20-4-7 for  
24 the purposes of the fund.

25 Money shall be distributed under this subsection before the sixteenth  
26 day of the month following the month in which the money is collected  
27 from the county recorder.

28 (j) This subsection applies to a county described in subsection  
29 (b)(13). The county treasurer shall distribute money collected by the  
30 county recorder under subsection (b)(13) as follows:

31 (1) Sixty percent (60%) of the money collected by the county  
32 recorder under subsection (b)(13) shall be deposited in the  
33 housing trust fund established under IC 36-7-15.1-35.5(e) for the  
34 purposes of the fund.

35 (2) Forty percent (40%) of the money collected by the county  
36 recorder under subsection (b)(13) shall be distributed to the  
37 treasurer of state for deposit in the affordable housing and  
38 community development fund established under IC 5-20-4-7 for  
39 the purposes of the fund.

40 Money shall be distributed under this subsection before the sixteenth  
41 day of the month following the month in which the money is collected  
42 from the county recorder.

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SECTION 2. IC 36-2-7-19 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2010]: **Sec. 19. (a) As used in this section, "fund" refers to a county elected officials training fund established under subsection (b).**

**(b) Each county legislative body shall before July 1, 2011, establish a county elected officials training fund. The county fiscal body shall appropriate money from the fund.**

**(c) The fund consists of money deposited under IC 36-2-7.5-6(c)(3) and any other sources required or permitted by law. Money in the fund does not revert to the county general fund.**

**(d) Money in the fund shall be used solely to provide training of county elected officials required by IC 36-2-11-2.5, IC 36-2-12-2.5, and other similar laws.**

SECTION 3. IC 36-2-7.5-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.171-2006, SECTION 15, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2010]: **Sec. 6. (a) The county recorder shall charge a two dollar (\$2) county identification security protection fee for recording or filing a document in addition to the fees required by IC 36-2-7-10(b)(1) through IC 36-2-7-10(b)(11).**

**(b) The county recorder shall deposit two dollars (\$2) of the fee charged under subsection (a) in the county identification security protection fund established by section 11 of this chapter. This subsection expires July 1, 2011.**

**(c) Beginning July 1, 2011, the county recorder shall deposit the fee charged under subsection (a) in the following manner:**

**(1) One dollar (\$1) shall be deposited in the county recorder's records perpetuation fund established under IC 36-2-7-10(d).**

**(2) Fifty cents (\$0.50) shall be deposited in the county identification security protection fund established under section 11 of this chapter.**

**(3) Fifty cents (\$0.50) shall be deposited in the county elected officials training fund established under IC 36-2-7-19.**

SECTION 4. IC 36-2-7.5-11, AS AMENDED BY P.L.171-2006, SECTION 19, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2010]: **Sec. 11. (a) As used in this section, "fund" refers to a county identification security protection fund established under subsection (b).**

**(b) Each county legislative body shall establish an identification security protection fund to be administered by the county recorder. The county fiscal body shall appropriate money from the fund.**

**(c) A fund consists of money deposited in the fund under section**

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1 6(b) of this chapter **(before July 1, 2011) and section 6(c) of this**  
2 **chapter (after June 30, 2011).** Money in a fund does not revert to the  
3 county general fund.

4 (d) A county recorder may use money in the fund only to purchase,  
5 upgrade, implement, or maintain redacting technology used in the  
6 office of the county recorder.

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